CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER 85-60

ORDER RESCINDING CEASE AND DESIST ORDER NO. 80-39, AS AMENDED, ISSUED TO LAS GALLINAS VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT, SAN RAFAEL, MARIN COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (hereinafter called the Board) finds that:

- 1. On April 15, 1980, this Board adopted Order No. 80-22, an NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) Permit prescribing waste discharge requirements covering the discharge of waste and pollutants by the Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District (hereinafter discharger).
- 2. On August 5, 1980 this Board adopted Order No. 80-39, an Order requiring the discharger to cease and desist from discharging waste contrary to requirements prescribed in Order No. 80-22. Furthermore, this order prohibited additional discharges to the discharger's sewer system.
- 3. On September 16, 1980, this Board adopted Order No. 80-42, revising waste discharge requirements contained in Order No. 80-22; and Order No. 80-43, amending Cease and Desist Order No. 80-39.
- 4. Cease and Desist Order No. 80-39, as amended by Order No. 80-43, provides for partial removal of the prohibition of additional discharges and the allowance of a specified number and type of additional discharges to the sewer system when the discharger demonstrates to the Board that it has achieved and completed certain specified tasks which represent substantial progress in meeting waste discharge requirements.
- 5. On December 2, 1980, this Board adopted Order No. 80-58, an Order granting additional discharges to the discharger's sewer system pursuant to the cease and desist order. This action was based on the discharger's completing a specified task by providing documentation that it had secured the necessary local share of funds necessary to construct a project designed to compy with waste discharge requirements.
- 6. On April 21, 1982, this Board adopted Order No. 82-24, an Order granting 400 equivalent single family dwelling unit discharges to the discharger's sewer system pursuant to the cease and desist order. This action was based upon the discharger's completion of an agreement with St. Vincent's for acquisition of a portion of its land for the reclamation element of the project and the anticipated award of a treatment plant construction contract. Order No. 82-24 further amended the compliance time schedule contained in Paragraph B. of the cease and desist order to contain Tasks 1-8.
- 7. On March 16, 1983, this Board adopted Order No. 83-8, an Order granting additional discharges to the District's sewer system. This action was based upon the discharger's acquisition of the land necessary for the effluent disposal project, and a demonstration that substantial further progress had been made on the treatment plant construction project.

- 8. On September 21, 1983, this Board adopted Order No. 83-36, an Order removing all restrictions on additional discharges to the District's sewer system. This action was based on the discharger's substantial progress on treatment plant upgrading and reclamation project construction. The Order also set a deadline of November 1, 1984, for full compliance with the NPDES Permit (Order No. 80-22).
- 9. On September 25, 1984, the discharger reported that treatment plan improvements were 98% complete, all treatment units were in operation, and the effluent disposal project was 90% complete. Subsequent staff inspection of the facilities showed that improvements are complete and the plant is fully operational.
 - The time schedule for NPDES permit compliance contained in paragraph B of this Board's Order No. 80-39, as amended, has been met.
- 10. On April 30, 1985, this Board adopted an order reissuing an NPDES Permit to the discharger.
- 11. This action to rescind a Cease and Desist Order is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15121 of the Resources Agency Guidelines.
- 12. On May 15, 1985, in a meeting starting at 9:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room, State Building, Illl Jackson Street, Oakland, California, after due notice to the discharger and all interested and affected persons and agencies, the Regional Board conducted a public hearing at which the discharger appeared and evidence was received concerning the discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERE THAT:

This Regional Board's Cease and Desist Orders No. 80-39, 80-43, 80-58, 82-24, 83-8 and 83-36 are rescinded.

I, Roger B. James, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on May 15, 1985.

ROGER B. JAMES Executive Officer